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KERATINOUS MATERIALS,  
COMPRISING A  
HYDROXYCARBOXYLIC ACID AND  
A PROTECTIVE AND/OR  
CONDITIONING AGENT

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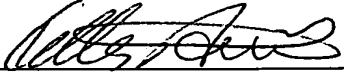
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